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Applicant: P. Billing-Medel, et al.

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is a Amendment, Request and Fee to Delete an Erroneously Named Inventor in a NonProvisional Application, et al., of P. A. BillingMedel, *et al.*, for REAGENTS AND METHODS USEFUL FOR DETECTING DISEASES OF THE GASTROINTESTINAL TRACT, the specification of which was filed on March 27, 1998, and received Serial No. 09/049,696.

Also enclosed are: Declaration of Inventorship and Common

Ownership of Claims in Application

Statement of Person Being Deleted as an Inventor Assent of Assignee to Correction of Inventors

Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b)

Corrected Declaration and Power of Attorney, et al.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional Filing Fees required under 37 CFR 1.16, as well as any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17 associated with this communication for which full payment has not been tendered, to Deposit Account No. 01-0025. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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